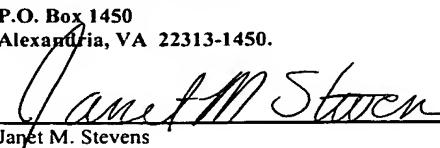


Application Number	10/529,671	<p>I hereby certify that on April 18, 2005 under Express Mail No. EV 40699 2645 US this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to. Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 addressed to: Mail Stop PCT Attention: DO/US Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <p> Janet M. Stevens</p>
International Application	PCT/JP03/13060	
International Filing Date	10 October 2003	
Priority Date Claimed	October 10, 2002	
First Named Inventor	Itsuaki	
Confirmation No.	Unknown	
Attorney Docket No.	789 140	

Mail Stop PCT
Attention: DO/US
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the subject application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.